

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please further amend the claims as follows:

1-10. Canceled.

11. (Currently Amended) A program recording apparatus comprising:

a program information input unit ~~for~~ inputting program information concerning programs;

a program recording setting unit ~~for~~ setting the recording of programs;

a recording unit ~~for~~ writing and erasing data containing contents of said programs on a recording medium; and

a management unit ~~for~~ storing program information inputted from said program information input unit and ~~for~~ recording said programs by said recording unit according to said setting for recording and independent of said setting for recording,

wherein said program recording setting unit can carry out a comprehensive setting for recording which makes a plurality of pairs of recording/erasing operations; and

in the case that a recording of a program which belongs to a program group comprising programs which have been comprehensively set for recording is carried out, said recording unit may carry out the recording by erasing programs which have, already, been recorded before the recording is carried out and which belong to said program group.

12. (Original) A program recording apparatus according to claim 11, characterized in that in the case that a recording of a program belonging to said program group is carried out, said recording unit carries out the recording by erasing the programs belonging to said program group, which have already been recorded before the recording is carried out.

13. (Previously Presented) A program recording medium characterized by the recording of programs and/or data in order to make a computer carry out the entire, or part of, the functions of the entire, or part of, the unit of the present invention according to any of claims

11 or 12, and characterized by being readable by computer.

14. (Canceled)